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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VIEWING THE EFFECT OF  
CHANGES TO AN INDEX FOR A DATABASE TABLE ON AN  
OPTIMIZATION PLAN FOR A DATABASE QUERY

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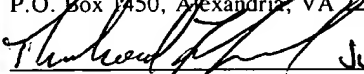
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the first Office Action dated **January 28, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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